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May 16, 2000

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Chemical Land Holdings, Inc.
Two Tower Center Boulevard, Floor 10
East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816
Attn.: Mr. Clifford Firstenberg, Project Manager

Re: Diamond Alkali Superfund Site Operable Unit Two
Passaic River Study Area
Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
Sediment Transport Model

Dear Mr. Firstenberg:

In March, 1999, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Chemical Land Holdings, Inc. (CLH) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) met at the Waterways Experiment Station. Also in attendance were CLH's modeling consultants. The purpose of that meeting was to have the modelers discuss the possible adjustments to some algorithms. The modeler from USACE and your modelers concurred, at the meeting, on such adjustments.

Enclosed is the revised version, now given the name STUDH-Beta 2000 (to simply distinguish it from previous versions) and its associated documentation.

In May, 1999, before receipt of this revision, you submitted by letter a revised test protocol to evaluate the beta version of the model. Now that we are providing you with the beta version, we would appreciate a meeting to discuss your proposed test protocols and the next steps in completing the modeling work.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience to schedule a date in June for such a meeting. I am available for such a meeting any time between June 6 and June 16.

Sincerely yours,

Sharon Jaffess, Remedial Project Manager
Emergency & Remedial Response Division

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